



Upcoming Dates

NOVEMBER

13th—26th Units 3 & 4 VCE

Exams continue

17—18th Outdoor Ed Bike

Camp

19—20th Outdoor Ed Canoe

Camp.

19th P-2 Overnight Sleepover

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From the Principal

Assistance Required In Canteen

Our wonderful college canteen which currently operates 5 days per week, providing a valuable service to students and families is in need of more volunteers. Discussion has been had around the future operations of the canteen and 2 likelihoods have been discussed. If we are able to source more volunteers, then the canteen will be able to remain open 5 days per week. If we cannot source more volunteers then the canteen will need to reduce to 4 or possibly even 3 days of operation per week.

We would desperately like to see that our canteen remains open each day. If you or another parent/carer has been considering volunteering for a day or so a term, then please get in touch with the college office. We are able to provide support if required and will also ensure that those who may not be entirely comfortable in the canteen, are not placed on a roster by themselves.

Have Books/Texts For Sale?...

The idea of a book/text register was raised with a college councillor this week and after discussion at our meeting last night, we are keen to make this happen. In basic terms, if your child/ren have text books or class novels that are no longer required, you will be able to offer these for sale to other students and families of the college. Parent Association president Nat Rose is more than happy for families to email details of these items so that she can advertise them on the Parent Association Facebook Page. If you have items to sell then please email Nat at -

Natalie.Rose2@education.vic.gov.au

Please also clearly detail the name of the item/s for sale, the sale price, the sellers name and sellers contact number.

Deb Ball—2021 Plans

Due to covid-19 restrictions and the uncertainty of the Department of Education permitting students and parents/guardians to be in close contact on school premises, the 2021 Debutante Ball will be postponed until later in the year.

Please understand that we are not cancelling the Debutante Ball, however, we are postponing the event until it is safe to plan and proceed further.

Miss Byrne held a meeting at recess time today where she discussed this information with interested students. Students also received a note with this information. If you have any questions please contact Miss Byrne at the College.

Remembrance Day At The College

My photo today shows the scene in my office at 11:00am yesterday, where we had our Junior School Captains run a brief Remembrance Day service which was streamed live over Microsoft Teams to all classrooms. Both Ruby and Oscar spoke beautifully and I would like to extend thanks to all families who purchased poppies from the college. The support shown for our local RSL was outstanding once again.

Parent Opinion Survey - CLOSES ON SUNDAY

The department of education has allowed schools to invite all families to participate in the Parent Opinion Survey this year and we would love to receive a great deal of open and honest opinions. I am not allowed to publicly share our unique school code in this forum but please log into your Compass App and get the details from there (they were emailed 3 weeks ago).

In order for our college to continually improve, we need your honesty. This parent opinion survey is anonymously undertaken so please provide your thoughts so that we can collect as much data as possible.

If you have not already completed the survey and are able to before Sunday, then please do.

November Plans—The Mo's Are Growing...

The Mo's are well and truly underway and it would be fair to say that there is already a wide range in stages of growth from Mr Ferguson's 'whispy-fluff' to Mr Youngs 'absolute-forest'. We are really proud to be raising money for such a great cause and although we have already hit our target of \$1000— in fundraising, we would still like to raise more funds. If you would like to assist with a donation, then please enter the following address into your web-browser—

<https://au.movember.com/team/2372040>

Take care and stay safe!
Regards, Steve Leed

Assistant Principal's news

Literacy & Numeracy

Rich learning in Secondary

Maths

While Maths Pathway is a major part of our 5-10 Maths classes, it is complemented by many other activities. These are often hands on and encourage students to consider how Maths can be applied to the 'real world'.

The data assignment that many classes are working on at present allows students to select their own topic. Students might compare heights of sportspeople in different sports, or might analyse the rainfall in two different places. It allows students to follow their passion.

The Year 8 class have just completed an assignment on measurement where they were able to design their own landscape. One student even designed a basketball court!

Parents, when you're working on home improvements, enlist the help of your child to let them see how Maths is an important part of life. They may wow you with their skills!

Senior English

Congratulations to our Year 12 students for completing their English exam on Tuesday this week. It was a tough year, but you have done a brilliant job and should be proud of your efforts.

After the exam, I noticed just how much students could explain about their thinking process in the exam. It was so impressive to see one of these Year 12 students attend a Year 11 class this week and walk them through one section of the exam. I know you've set the bar high for the class of 2021 and they are keen to get started!

Sarah Clare

Curriculum Learning Specialist



Wattle they think of next??



It must be getting close to the end of the year, because last week our senior students made the speeches where they begged the other kids to vote for them in as school captains. These were decided by secret ballot and only Mrs Krahe knows the winners. Unfortunately she is good at keeping secrets and has high moral and ethical values. So I will have to wait like everyone else to see who our new school captains are. Or maybe she has told others who can keep secrets but not me.

So much fun stuff this week and no doubt someone would have written about the chickens in the office. They are the stars of the show. Everyone wants to know them. It's funny how our junior kids operate. Within a couple of minutes they had named them all and could tell

them apart. I've tried to avoid getting attached to them as I know how that story ends... They called the fattest one Mr Wilko. At least I will survive.

Year 12's have been going for it with their exams. Thanks to the exam writing gods for answering their prayers. Imagine having to write an English issues response about 'drones in Agriculture'. Now that is up our alley. Tomorrow my Further maths kids have their first exam. I am so nervous. I don't know how they do it. I am really proud of how our kids have worked this year. Good luck.

Mrs Johns was on the radio the other day announcing that East Loddon would be given some wattle seeds that had been to space! What will they think of next? It's pretty amazing that we could send wattle seeds to space and

then give them to a school in a paddock. You wouldn't believe it if we weren't the BEST SCHOOL EVER. I hope we don't catch lunar flu or anything similar.

The 3/4's won't be coming home tonight. They've decided to stay at school alllllll night. Teachers are staying too so they'll get plenty of home work done.

Bunch of camps from here on in. Year 9/10 Outdoor Ed next week head off on a bike ride for two days and then canoeing for two days. I'm going canoeing with them so I hope its not cold.

Mr Wilko



Sub-School Updates

Junior

Cross Country Tomorrow!

Tomorrow we will be holding the annual Cross Country event with students completing a 1500m circuit. Students will compete both individually and for points for their school house groups.

Students may wear their PE uniform or their house colours throughout the day on Friday. Good luck to all of the boys and girls running tomorrow.

School Sleepovers

Our first school sleepover has arrived

with students in Grades 3 and 4 staying at school tonight. Students are looking forward to an evening full of fun activities. Mr. Lee and the student disco committee have been creating a playlist and practicing their dance moves with our brand new disco ball.



Middle

There has been a fair bit happening last week. Our Year 7 big picture kids have been fixing up the athletics shed including all the hurdles equipment. The boys are preparing to concrete the shed.

The Year 8 Digi Tech class have been designing and creating their own board games. Alex and Amy created a game of Uno based on a Technology concept redesigning all their own cards. Mason and Hollee created a game of snakes and ladders based on all the highs and lows or Remote Learning 2020.



Senior

WOW College Captains 2021: Five of our amazing Year 11 students spoke at the P-12 Assembly via teams to promote themselves to the school as potential College Captains. I was so impressed (and I wasn't the only one), each student spoke really well and in a genuine way that made we want to vote for all of them...lucky I don't have to vote. I leave that to our Year 8-11 students. The successful captains will be announced at our end of year assembly.

Outdoor Ed camps next week: Bike camp departs at 7am 17th of Nov and returns 4pm 18th of Nov. Canoe camp departs at 9am 19th of Nov and returns at 3:20pm on the 20th.

Good luck Y12's and Y11's studying a VCE

VCE Units 3 & 4 subject: Oops I did it again, just a little constructive graffiti at the entrance to the College to wish our students all the best for their exams. Their dedication and desire to do well is all over their faces (under those masks), keep it up!!!



Y9 & 10 elective blockings: students were given this information yesterday. Apologies for the delay but the good news is there is more to choose from than recent years YAY. Elective forms are due back by November 25th.

AROUND ELP SPORTS

Cross Country

Dates have been finalised for the College Cross Country. As mentioned in previous newsletters, this will take place in smaller groups and done during class time.

P-4 Cross Country:

Friday 13th November.

Year 5/6 Cross Country:

Tuesday 24th November

Year 7/8 Cross Country:

Monday 25th November

Year 9/10 Cross Country: **Wed. 25th November.**

Year 11/12 were given the option to run their cross country earlier, but they have collectively decided not to run this year.

Unfortunately we are still not allowed to have parents/spectators attend these events.

Medallions will be awarded to 1st place runners in each year level.

What'll happen to the wattle??!

East Loddon has been selected as one of 150 schools, scout groups and Australian Air Force Cadets across Australia to receive wattle seeds that will have been in space for 6 months. Students will assist in growing the seeds and recording data about the seed growth next year. Thanks to One Giant Leap Australia for offering us this opportunity!



CHICKENS!

Because we have all been excited by their arrival. A big thank-you all who donated eggs and Bridgewater Farmware for the donation of chicken crumbles.

Thank-you to all who checked on them to make sure the incubator was working to plan.

With these groups' wonderful support our ag projects can go ahead!!

The students have been watching them during their stay in the office.



Canteen

		2020 OCT/NOV	
Fri 13th	Mel Primrose Nadine Ray		
Mon 16th	Margaret Hocking	Mon 23rd	Belinda Clymo
Tues 17th	Michelle Diss Louise Hocking	Tues 24th	Sue Pickles
Wed 18th	Sue Pickles	Wed 25th	Kia Hooke
Thurs 19th	Sue Pickles	Thurs 26th	Sue Pickles
Fri 20th	Miranda Smith Wendy Murphy	Fri 27th	Natalie Rose Lisa Twigg

Book Fair 16 Nov – 2 Dec

We are running a Scholastic Book Fair in the library office from Monday 16th November until Wednesday 2nd December.

Due to COVID-19, different classes will be allocated specific times to visit during lunchtimes and explore the books on offer. Students will be asked to make a wishlist with the title and cost of each book and bring their wishlist home to discuss with their family.

Photos of the different books on offer and their prices will also be posted on Compass and the Parents' Association Facebook page at the start of next week.

To purchase from the Book Fair, simply go online to <http://parentpayments.scholastic.com.au/BookFairs> to place your order and make your payment. Then return the Wish List Payment form (with the purchased titles listed) to the office and the purchases will be delivered to your child's class.

Contact Mrs Johns on 5436 8300 or Rebecca.johns@education.vic.gov.au for more information.

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